



Connecticut River Atlantic Salmon Commission  
Technical Committee  
**Connecticut River Research Forum**  
*February 8, 2011*  
*Hadley, MA*

Agenda

- 8:15-8:45      Registration, coffee
- 8:50-9:00      Opening remarks, Caleb Slater, Technical Committee Chair
- 9:00-9:20      **Striped bass feeding ecology and impacts to other anadromous species in the Connecticut River.** Justin Davis and Eric T. Schultz, University of Connecticut
- 9:20-9:40      **Status of American shad in the Connecticut River.** Jacque Benway, Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection
- 9:40-10:00      **Status of river herring bycatch monitoring and possible management regulatory measures.** Jamie Cournane, University of New Hampshire
- 10:00-10:20      **Creating alternative operating policies for the Connecticut River.** Richard Palmer, University of Massachusetts Amherst and Kim Lutz, The Nature Conservancy
- 10:20-10:40      BREAK
- 10:40-11:05      **Update of fish health activities associated with Atlantic salmon restoration programs in the Northeast.** Patricia Barbash, USFWS Northeast Fishery Center
- 11:05-11:25      **Genetic monitoring of Connecticut River Atlantic salmon broodstock at Richard Cronin National Salmon Station.** Meredith Bartron, Shannon Julian, and Jeff Kalie, USFWS Northeast Fishery Center
- 11:25-11:45      **Evaluation of hypotheses for describing temporal trends in Atlantic salmon parr densities in Northeast U.S. Rivers.** Tyler Wagner, Penn State University and John A. Sweka, USFWS Northeast Fishery Center
- 11:45-12:05      **Variation in freshwater Atlantic salmon survival among rivers: timing, body size and extent.** Ben Letcher<sup>1</sup>, Krzysztof Sakrejda-Leavitt<sup>3</sup>, Keith Nislow<sup>2</sup>, Doug Sigourney<sup>1</sup>, Gregg Horton<sup>1</sup> Affiliation: USGS Conte Anadromous Fish Research Center, USFS Northern Research Station<sup>2</sup>, Organismic and Evolutionary Biology, UMass – Amherst<sup>3</sup>

12:05-1:00	LUNCH
1:00-1:20	<b>Diagnosing poor and improved passage performance at Gatehouse Fishway—Differentiating between engineered solutions and environmental effects</b> Theodore Castro-Santos and Alex Haro, USGS Conte Anadromous Fish Research Center
1:20-1:40	<b>Upstream Passage of American Shad at Turners Falls Fishways.</b> Alex Haro and Theodore Castro-Santos, USGS Conte Anadromous Fish Research Center
1:40-2:00	<b>Developments in fish passage measures.</b> Curt Orvis, USFWS Fisheries Program
2:00-2:20	<b>Large New England Rivers Project: Connecticut River fish assemblage survey.</b> Bryan Apell, Kleinschmidt Associates
2:20-2:30	Closing remarks, Technical Committee Chair, Caleb Slater